

Air power to combat maoists menace

*113. MS. PRAMILA BOHIDAR:
SHRI B.J. PANDA:

Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

- (a) whether Centre propose to provide air power to combat Maoists menace in the country;
- (b) if so, the details thereof;
- (c) what is the action plan of the Centre to extend air power to Orissa, to combat this menace;
- (d) whether, barring a few segments, the situation in the country is under control; and
- (e) if so, the details thereof?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HOME AFFAIRS (SHRI SRIPRAKASH JAISWAL): (a) to (c) Some of the naxal affected States have been using helicopters for need based evacuation of casualties, transportation of police personnel and food/medical supplies. The Central Government provides this facility to them subject to availability.

(d) and (e) During the current year till October 31, there were 1272 incidents of naxal violence as against 1361 incidents in the corresponding period last year. During the same period, resultant casualties were 610 as against 581 during the same period in 2005.

Bomb blasts in Sarojini Nagar, Delhi

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Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

- (a) the number of persons killed and injured, respectively, in the serial bomb blasts in Sarojini Nagar area of Delhi, last year;
- (b) the amount of compensation paid by Government for those killed and to those injured;

†Original notice of the question was received in Hindi.